NOTICE OF DECISION UNDER REGULATION 32
FILM POSTERS

VIDEO SLICK

TO: The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.
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Pursuant to regulation 32 of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Regulations 1994 the film poster entitled:

100% Amateur Volume #3 Sex On The Dark Side

is **Not Approved.**

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL (where applicable):

if approval refused, the reasons for the decision:

The video slick *100% Amateur #3 Sex On The Dark Side* contains strong images of penetration and ejaculation, along with an image of a woman presenting her buttocks, anus and genitals to the camera in close-up. The woman's position is such that she appears to be offering herself to the reader. The text on the slick contains several approving references to women being "nasty" and "cock-hungry", craving anal intercourse and welcoming such activities as a "filthy gang-bang". One woman is referred to as a tramp. The descriptive blurb on the back cover is of particular concern. It consists almost entirely of exaggerated descriptions of sexual acts done to women, with little sense that the women are active participants. The overall effect of such a representation is to accentuate women's availability for men's sexual use. The reduction of women to sexual objects in this way is degrading, dehumanising and demeaning. In addition, constant references in the text to 'blackness' and 'whiteness' degrade and dehumanise participants on the basis of race.

The Classification Office has weighed the competing considerations of the issues raised above and the rights and freedoms set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 (NZBR Act). The Office is of the opinion that the degrading, dehumanising and demeaning nature of the material presented makes it likely that, if the video slick were to be submitted for classification under s13(1) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993, it would be classified as objectionable. The limitation of the right to freedom of expression contained in s14 of the NZBR Act is justified in order to prevent injury to the public good arising from the availability of the slick.

In accordance with regulation 28(3)(a), the video slick *100% Amateur #3 Sex On The Dark Side* is not approved.

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